



Westlands Primary School

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Dear Parent/Carer,

We are very excited to invite your child to our Forest School which will run each Thursday afternoon beginning 12th January until the end of Term 3. Please can your child come to school in their Forest School clothes and bring their school uniform to change into after the session.

Forest School will give your child the opportunity to learn about wildlife and plants - as well as build dens, make campfires, shuttle sticks and create shelters. The ethos of Forest School is a child centred approach where they can choose their activities and the Forest School leader allows them to explore and take ownership of their own learning. There will also be opportunities to light fires and use tools but this will be introduced when the children are ready and following instructions safely and calmly.

Attached to this letter will be a list of everything your child will need to participate in Forest School and an information pack. You should have filled in a consent form last year; please can you fill in the Google Form <https://forms.gle/WWp4NobSq28H6fTA> to update your original consent form. If you have any questions you would like to ask me about Forest School, please email me via the school office on wpsoffice@sale.at and I will get back to you as soon as possible.

This will be a fantastic opportunity for your child, giving them a greater appreciation of nature and the freedom to develop new skills and solve problems independently.

Yours sincerely

Mrs Cresswell
Forest School Leader